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Art Unit: 1713

For: Superabsorbent Polymers and Method of  
Manufacturing the Same

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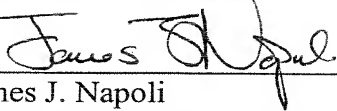
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